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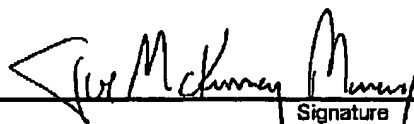
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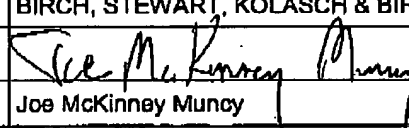
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**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated December 13, 2005, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-12 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-3 and 10-12, drawn to an optical film composed of a thermoplastic resin having particular retardation details; and

Group II, claims 4-9, drawn to a method of producing a thermoplastic resin having particular cooling and rotational speed details.

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